

cases of neuralgia, toothache * * * and la grippe," (wholesale carton) "Neuro-Nerve Powders * * * Will Give Prompt Relief for * * * Neuralgia, Sciatica, Toothache, Grippe and all Nerve Pains," (circular) "For the relief of Neuralgia * * * Toothache, Sore Throat, LaGrippe, Sciatica and all nerve pains. These Powders have a special action upon the nervous system, and will relieve instantly all nerve pains * * * Neuralgia—the most severe cases are relieved in a few minutes. Place a powder on the tongue and wash down with water; repeat in one hour if necessary. Women find these powders invaluable in painful menstruation. * * * Toothache—This unpleasant affliction will be radically relieved in from five to ten minutes. LaGrippe—To effect a relief take a Neuro-Nerve Powder every three hours. Sore Throat—One Powder every two or three hours; a physic is advisable at first. Sciatica—is relieved after the first or second dose," were false and fraudulent in that the article contained no ingredient or combination of ingredients capable of producing the effects claimed.

On March 7, 1929, by consent of the claimant, judgment of condemnation and forfeiture was entered, and it was ordered by the court that the product be destroyed by the United States marshal.

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16575. Misbranding of Luft's cold, grippe, and influenza tablets. U. S. v. 121 1/6 Dozen Packages of Luft's Cold, Grippe, and Influenza Tablets. Consent decree of condemnation and forfeiture. Product released under bond. (F. & D. No. 23380. I. S. No. 0119. S. No. 1559.)

On February 14, 1929, the United States attorney for the Northern District of California, acting upon a report by the Secretary of Agriculture, filed in the District Court of the United States for said district a libel praying seizure and condemnation of 121 1/6 dozen packages of Luft's cold, grippe, and influenza tablets, remaining in the original unbroken packages at San Francisco, Calif., alleging that the article had been shipped by the George W. Luft Co. (Inc.), from Long Island City, N. Y., in part on or about November 30, 1928, and in part on or about January 4, 1929, and transported from the State of New York into the State of California, and charging misbranding in violation of the food and drugs act as amended.

Analysis of a sample of the article by this department showed that it consisted essentially of acetylsalicylic acid, phenolphthalein, capsicum, and traces of the alkaloids of aconite and belladonna.

It was alleged in the libel that the article was misbranded in that the following statements regarding the curative and therapeutic effects of the said article were false and fraudulent in that it contained no ingredient or combination of ingredients capable of producing the effects claimed: (Top of tin container) "Grippe and Influenza Tablets;" (circular) "Most serious illnesses grow from trivial beginnings. Today's * * * attack of grippe, when neglected may easily become tomorrow's pneumonia. A fagged, rundown condition most frequently is nature's warning of sickness; at best, it indicates a weakened resistance and leaves the door open to the first epidemic that comes your way. How much easier to relieve the * * * grippe attack quickly with a simple, wholesome remedy. * * * Grippe-Influenza Tablets. Grippe, influenza and pneumonia usually manifest themselves, at first, as simple colds. * * * Grippe and influenza Tablets will * * * quickly break it up, by stimulating the disease-resisting properties of the body. * * * Taken at the first sign of a cold, you may rest assured that it will never develop into anything serious."

On July 11, 1929, the George W. Luft Co. (Inc.), Long Island City, N. Y., having appeared as claimant for the property and having consented to the entry of a decree, judgment of condemnation and forfeiture was entered, and it was ordered by the court that the product be released to the said claimant upon payment of costs and the execution of a bond in the sum of \$243, conditioned in part that it be made to conform with the provisions of the Federal food and drugs act under the supervision of this department.

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